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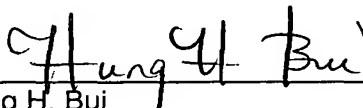
Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR §1.55, Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 11-271806, filed in Japan on September 27, 1999.

A certified copy of the above-referred-to Japanese Patent Application was filed on September 12, 2000 in prior application Serial No. 09/648,452, filed August 28, 2000.

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